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## RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 18, 2004, the following remarks are made:

In deference to the restriction requirement on pages 2 and 3 of the above-identified Office Action, applicant elects group I, claims 1-9, for prosecution at this time.

Applicant requests a rejoinder under MPEP §821.04.

In view of the foregoing, the early issuance of an Action on the merits of claims 1-9 is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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